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SUBJECT: Discussion with ADPC, 26 September 1951

1. I took up with ADPC the matter of new target dates for the completion of plans, giving the reasons why they had not been completed by the earlier target dates. He recognized the interruption. ADPC has approved the firm dates for completion of Division plans for: Division Plans, 1 November; Country Plans, 1 December, and directed that we issue a memorandum to that effect.

NOTE: I would like to have a memorandum prepared for Divisions, notifying them of this change in the ~~submitability~~ *submitability* of the new dates given. The notification can be so worded that it is a directive from ADPC, which we are transmitting; in other words, it should contain a statement to the effect that: "The Plans Division, recognizing the difficulties and interruptions which prevented the submission of the plans on the former dates specified, made representations to ADPC to set forward (in the future) the dates for submission." Also that ADPC had approved the new dates with the stipulation that they were "firm" and should be adhered to, and that he expected that they would be.

2. With reference to the changing status of WH (former LA), the new headship, etc., he directed that they do prepare and submit plans (possibly a work-over of LA plans) and, as an additional earnest that they do so, to quote that part of the memoranda (securable from EAD) which set up the WH Division with the proviso that ADPC still maintained certain jurisdictions which included planning, per se.

3. For your information, the "Magnitude" Paper is now on the desk of Mr. Nash of the Department of Defense, and it is expected that it will be signed and made operative within a week. I wish you would consider the preparation of a paper, showing the implications of this "Magnitude" Paper, including recommendations for orderly transition to meet the added responsibilities and tasks that will be ours in implementing it.

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